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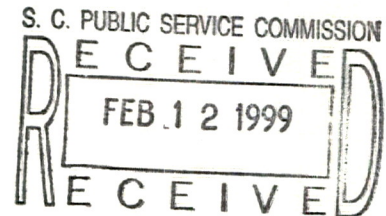
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February 12, 1999



Mr. Gary E. Walsh  
Executive Director  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
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Columbia, South Carolina 29210

**Re: Generic Proceeding to Address Voice Over the Internet  
(IP Telephony)  
Docket No. 98-651-C**

Dear Mr. Walsh:

Please find enclosed for filing on behalf of the South Carolina Telephone Association an original and ten (10) copies of a Motion in the above-referenced docket. By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record.

Please clock in a copy and return with it our courier.

Thank you for your assistance.

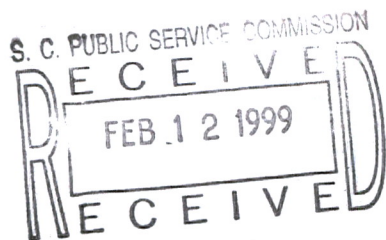
Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret M. Fox".

Margaret M. Fox

MMF/mdb  
Enclosures

cc: Parties of record



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BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Docket No. 98-651-C

IN RE:           Generic Proceeding to Address           )  
                  Voice Over the Internet                    )  
                  (IP Telephony)                                )

**MOTION**

The South Carolina Telephone Association ("SCTA") hereby respectfully requests that the hearing in the above-referenced matter, currently scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. on March 16, 1999, be re-scheduled. This motion is made on the grounds that counsel for the SCTA has a conflict with the scheduled date. While this conflict is not one that cannot be resolved, the SCTA believes that it would best serve the interest of the parties and the Commission, in light of the short time frame involved and the fact that a schedule for the prefiling of testimony has not yet been established, to schedule a later date for the hearing.

The SCTA believes that this matter should be heard as soon as possible after March 16, 1999. At least one carrier is currently providing IP Telephony in South Carolina. The SCTA believes it is imperative to establish rules for the provision of such service on the front end of this new and emerging technology.

RETURN DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
SERVICE: OK *(signature)*

WHEREFORE, the SCTA respectfully requests that the Commission set a hearing on this matter at the next available date after March 16, 1999.

Respectfully Submitted,



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Mia DuRant Briggs, do hereby certify that this day I caused to have served the foregoing Motion to the below named party of record, by having same delivered as indicated, this 12th day of February, 1999, and addressed as follows:

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